(b) The salient feature of the Biosphere Reserve are as follows :

(i) The total geographical area covered by the Biosphere Reserve will be 885 sq.kms. Out of this, there will be two core zones, one each of 520 sq.kms. and 185 sq.kms. respectively. The toal core zone will be 705 sq.kms.

(ii) It will have two buffer zones adjoining the respective core zones covering an area of 90 sq.kms. each. The total buffer zone will be thus, 180 sq. kms.

Non-traditional sectors

286. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that non-traditional sector have emerged as major areas of export growth during the current financial year;

(b) if so, what are the details thereor; and

(c) what steps are proposed to sustain and improve this situation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P.R. DASMUNISHI): (a) Yes, Sir. (b) A Statement is attached. [*See* below]

(c) A series of initiatives have been taken to promote exports of all products including non-traditional items. These are designed to generate surpluses for exports, to induce the production of goods contemporary in technology and competitive in prices and to make the exports profitables. It is expected that these measures would not only sustain but also further improve the situation.

Statement

(Value : Rs.)

Commodities	April-Sept. 1987 (P)	April-Sept 1988 (P)	Absolute Change	Percentage Change
M lucts	258.00	290 63	+32.63	+12.6
F Garments	779.37	879.78	+100.41	+12.9
L ather & leather Mfrs.	491.31	695.63	+204.32	+41.6
Chemical & related Products	329.67	687.46	+357.79	+108.5
Gems & Jewellery	1251 17	1845.42	+594 25	+47.5
Sports Goods	9.94	31.88	+21.94	+220.7
Engineering Goods	606.89	961.78	+354.89	+58.5
Total.	3726.35	5392.58	+1666.23	+44.7
Total Exports:	7411.26	8986.92	+1575.66	+21.3

P : Provisional
Source DGCI&S, Calcutta

Conducted by the Officials of The Income Tax Department

287. SHRI YASHWANT SINHA:
SHRI BEKAL UTSAHI:
SHRI ISH DUTT YADAV:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that several raids were conducted by the officials of the Income Tax Department all over the country on the 18th January, 1989 to unearth undisclosed income;

(b) if so, what are the details of cash, jewellery and other incriminating documents seized during these raids and also the detail's of persons from whose premises such materials were seized;

(c) whether it is also a fact that four major builders of Bombay were arrested in this connection;

(d) whether it is also a fact that ten

premises of a Jalgaon M.L.A. were searched and several crores of rupees were seized; and

(e) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI AJIT PANJA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) During these searches, *prima facie* unaccounted assets of approximate value of Rs. 308.80 lakhs were seized, besides several incriminating documents, indicating tax evasion. During the course of these searches, the persons searched have admitted concealment of income aggregating to Rs. 755.52 lakhs. The names of the persons/groups searched are given in the statement (*See* below).

(c) No, Sir, In fact, there is no provision in the Income-tax Act for arrest of person during the course of the search.

(d) and (e) Searches were conducted at four premises of Shri Suresh B. Jain, M.L.A., Jalgaon These consist of one residential premises each at Bombay and Jalgaon and two office premises at Jalgaon. The searched did not result in seizure of any valuable assets from any of the premises.

Statement

Place	Name of the Group/ Person Searched
1	2
Bombay	M/s. Shanti Builders.
Bombay	M/s. Dholakia Builders.
Bombay	M/s. Ajmera Builders.
Bombay	M/s. Duttani Construction.
Bombay	M/s. Conwood Construction.
Bombay	M/s. R.N.A. Builders.
Bombay	M/s. Jain Group (including Shri Suresh B. Jain)
Delhi	M/s. Competent Construction Co.
Delhi	M/s. Mohan Construction Co.
Delhi	M/s. Anand Raj Agencies.
Delhi	M/s. Rajendra Builders.
Delhi	M/s. Jaina Group
Delhi	M/s. Unitec Ltd.
Delhi	M/s. Salwan Const. Ltd.
Delhi	M/s Chawla Traders Ltd.
Delhi	M/s. B.R. Arora Group.
Delhi	M/s. Shalimar Sales Corporation.
Delhi	M/s. Paras Nath & Associates.
Delhi	M/s. Gaurav Investment Ltd.
Delhi	M/s. R.P.S. Investment Ltd.
Delhi	M/s. Jainco Properties Ltd.
Delhi	M/s. Aggarwal Associates (P) Ltd.
Delhi	Mr. Mahendra Jain.
Delhi	M/s. A.K.T. & Associates
Delhi	M/s. Monga Consultancy Ltd.
Delhi	S.S. Jaspal
Delhi	Satya Chowdhary
Delhi	M/s. Shaukat Rai Malhotra.
Delhi	M/s. Dream City Builders (P) Ltd.
Calcutta	M/s. D.C. Paul & Sons.
Calcutta	M/s. Modern Group Design.
Calcutta	M/s. H.K. Sen & Associates.
Calcutta	M/s. Baid Group.
Calcutta	M/s. Duftory Group.
Calcutta	M/s. Khadim Group.
Bangalore	Gopalan Associates.
Goa	Kamath Construction (P) Ltd.
Cuttack	Chitta Pd. Ghosh.
Cuttack	Chowdhury K.C. Das.
Cuttack	J.C. Budhraja and others.
Bhubaneshwar	B.B. Jena

1	2
Guwahati	Janaki Jain & Jhumarmal Jain and others.
Ahmedabad	Hasmukhlal K. Shah.
Surat	Thakorbhai Manchabhai.
Surat	Vishnubhai Doriwalla.

Suppression of violation of FERA case

288. SHRI D.B. CHANDRE GOWDA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Enforcement Directorate has suppressed one of the most sensational and biggest of the FERA violation cases recently as reported in the Indian Express of the 25th December, 1988;

(b) whether a leading businessman of Old Delhi, Mr. Dhiraj Dhar Gupta has operated an unauthorised account in foreign exchange with National Westminster Bank, London; and

(c) if so, what are the facts of the case as reported in the press and action contemplated by Government against the businessman?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) After completion of investigations, the Directorate of Enforcement (FERA) has initiated adjudication proceedings against Shri D.D. Gupta by issue of a Show Cause Notice for alleged violation of the provision of Section 8(1) of FERA, 1973 for maintaining and operating a bank account abroad.

Income-tax raids at the premises of an export house and petrol pump in Delhi

289. SHRI D. B. CHANDRE GOWDA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Income tax Department has conducted raids at the premises of an export house and a petrol pump owner in Delhi on 9th December, 1988 and seized crores of rupees, valuables and incriminatory documents, etc.;

(b) if so, what are the details of the owner of export house and petrol pump on which raids were conducted and details of articles etc., seized; and

(c) the action contemplated by Government against the owner of export house and petrol pump?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI AJIT PANJA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise, in view of reply furnished at (a) above.

M/s. Hansa deluxe hotel in Karol Bagh

290. SHRI BHAGATRAM MANHAR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that M/s. Hansa Deluxe hotel at Saraswati Road, Karol Bagh, New Delhi is being run without obtaining any licence from the police; and

(b) if so, what action has been taken against the proprietor in this regard and what steps are being taken to immediately stop the functioning of this hotel?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) M/s. Hansa Deluxe Hotel at Saraswati Road, Karol Bagh, New Delhi has been functioning since Sept. 1988. The Hotel Management has been prosecuted 7 times U/s 28/112 Delhi Police Act.